Fiscal & Governmental Affairs (FGA) Committee  
Interim Meeting  
Minutes  
Friday February 12, 2016, 10:15am-1:00pm  
http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Committees/FGA/index.shtml

Present: Tom Krabacher (Chair), Erick Eschker (Vice Chair), Diana Guerin, Jerald Schutte, Eileen Klink, David Hood, Jay Swartz, Mark Wheeler, Otto Benavides, Darlene Yee-Melichar, Steven Browne, Beth Steffel,

1. Call to Order 10:20am.

2. Approval of Agenda with minor amendments  
   • http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Committees/FGA/agendas.shtml

3. Approval of Minutes December, 2016 with minor amendment.

4. Campus and Member Announcements  
   • Jay reports that we will have the CO veteran’s liaison at the next plenary

5. Chair’s Report  
   • We will need to discuss our Legislative Day on April 12, since that is immediately before the scheduled strike  
   • Update on Extended Executive Committee Meeting  
      o There will be two upcoming meetings scheduled for the quantitative reasoning task force, and it seems the ASCSU’s request to review this has been taken seriously.  
      o Time to degree continues to be discussed with the CO.  
      o Senator Block bill on articulation on nationwide online courses has seen enough concerns that this has been pulled.  
      o Praveen met with Senate chairs and Lori Lamb attended to talk about tenure density.  
   • Chair Krabcaber met with Nicole at CO advocacy and others, and Trustee Glazer who is now a Senator is trying to create a bill for a guaranteed four year degree.  
   • Office of Advocacy and Institutional Relations will put together a meeting next week, and advocacy is getting off to a slower start this year. The talking point is to ask for extra $100 mil above Governor budget and focus on “everyday students”

6. Reports  
   • Ed Sullivan is on conference on teacher credential and can’t attend, but his email was forwarded to the group and he notes that we continue to see interest from DOF/legislature on student success with interest on 4yr rates for freshmen and 2 year rates for transfers  
   • Shutte: FGA should issue statement saying we support online instruction, but for pedagogical reason, not fiscal ones. Reason for FGA to take this up: DOF is pressuring the CSU to move students through more quickly, but they should see online instruction. Discussion followed:  
      o Should FGA take this up? If so, how?  
      o CSSA doesn’t have a white paper on online instruction.  
      o Fiscal implications – completion rates  
      o Data on AB 386 Course Match results
Otto and Jerry will look at the topic and report back to Committee in March

- Response to ASCSU Tenure Density resolution:
  - We knew the CO wouldn’t agree to hard target
  - Tom will request Margie Merryfield for updated table showing latest tenure-tenure track numbers
  - How was $11M for t/tt hires spent?
  - Concern that faculty recruitment reports are so delayed
  - Senate/Exec Com should follow through and put together the task force to monitor the issue, if only for purpose of getting data

7. Times Certain:
   12:00 pm  Darlene Yee-Melichar (ExCom liaison)
   Darlene thanked Mark and Tom’s contributions to the faculty to faculty newsletter.
   SenEx asked Leo Van Cleave about going to funding to RSCA per Resolution 3247, and it will be regular line item moving forward.
   Res. 3240 Tenure Density was discussed, and Academic Conference will happen next year, and hopefully at Cal Maritime, but date/place not set.
   Quantitative Reasoning Task Force has appointed Mark Wheeler.
   Sustainable Financial Model Task Force has completed its work.
   Concerns about Academic Freedom and Intellectual Property is ongoing.
   Background check policy update from Lori Lamb, and the CO is not suspending the policy.
   Shared governance issues are at the fore, and trying to make sure the CO and a Trustee is always at the plenaries.
   SenExec talked about strike from April 13-19 and LegiDay April 12. Sen Exec has asked ICAS to reschedule for the strike.
   FGA filled in Senator Yee-Melichar about the items discussed so far.

8. Legislative Updates
Legislation introduced to date (Wheeler, et al.)
Bill Monitoring & Priorities – update on process
Former Trustee Glazer (now CA State Senator) may propose a bill to guarantee 4 year graduation if students meet certain requirements. Tom met with CO advocacy, and they noted that this bill was brought to their attention late. It is unclear if this bill will ever officially materialize and how effective it might be.
AB1914 Bonilla Bill is something we may want to look at because it places restrictions on buying textbook add on.

- Bill introductions: (Goal: send bill list to Tom by noon, Sunday)
  o Diana & Eileen – (take lead) monitor Senate bills
  o Tom & Beth – (take lead) monitor Assembly bills
  o Others will assist as well.
  o Tom will then distribute a list of bills to be summarized by individual committee members
9. Advocacy

In-District Advocacy – update on process
    Things have stalled a bit until we have a sense of stakeholder budget advocacy numbers will be.
April Sacramento advocacy
    With the strike, do we want to change the April 12 day? Perhaps the strike will be a distraction. We decided to keep the date.
    We also discussed how much student participation we want.

10. Old Business

11. New Business
    We discussed with whom do we want to meet/take call with at the Plenary?

12. Adjournment 12:53

Minutes taken by Erick Eschker and Thomas Krabacher